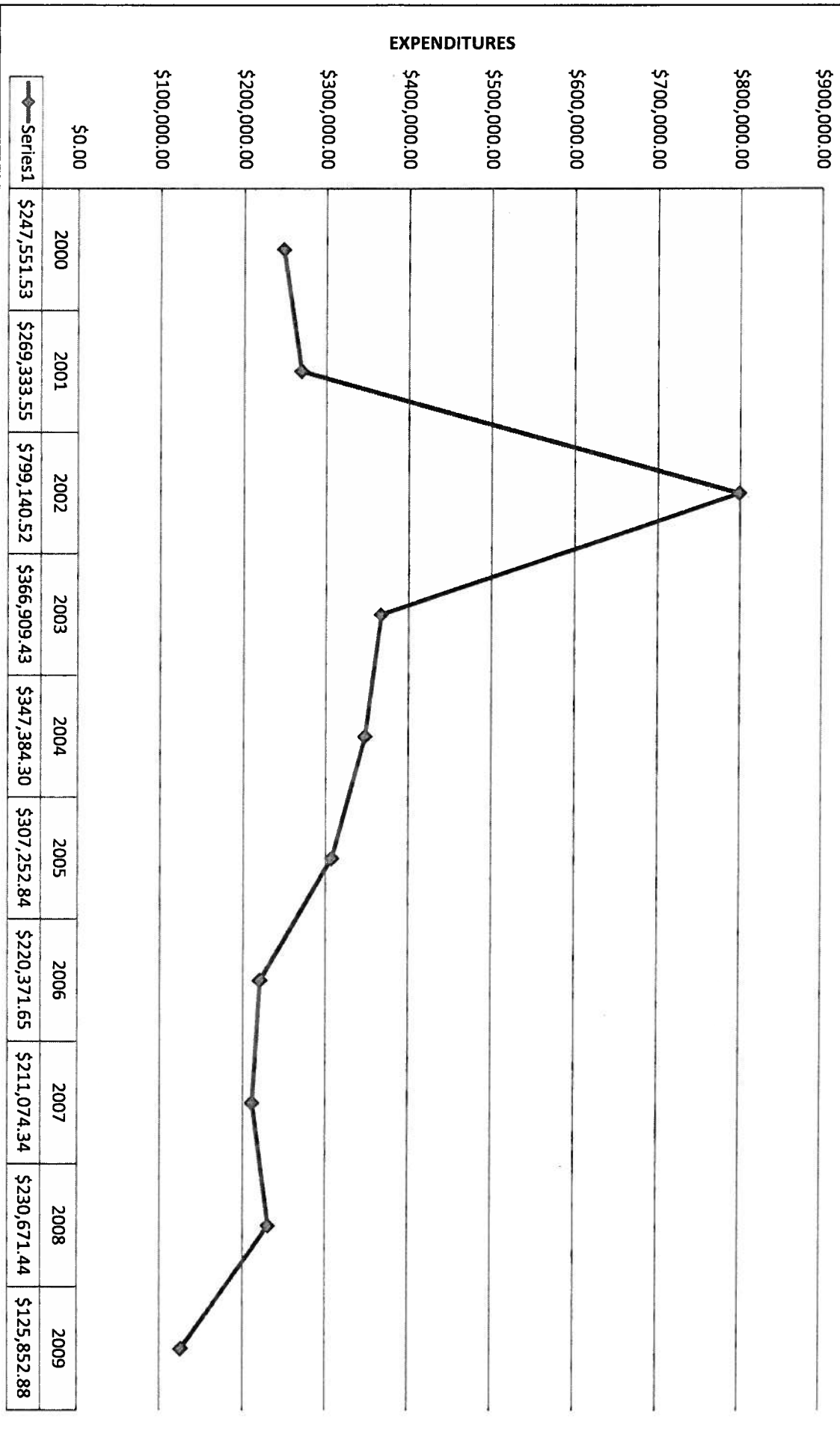
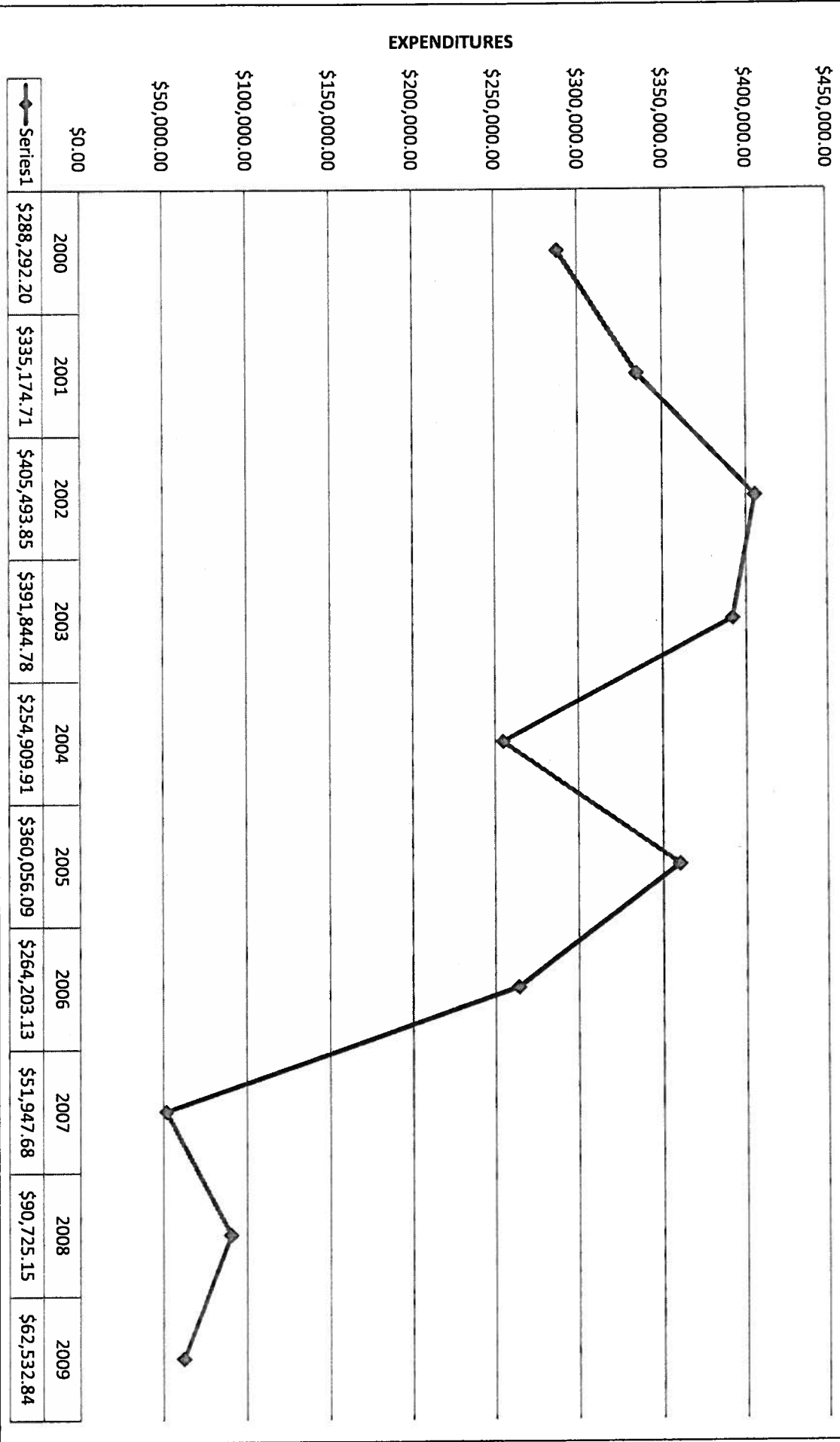


DELTA TITLE IVE



DELTA STATE WARD AND CARE



2009 CHILD CARE COSTS

COUNTY	U.P. COUNTY POPULATION	CCF FAMILY EXPENDITURES	SWBC	TOTAL COSTS	COST PER PERSON
ALGER	9,862	15,746	55,485	71,231	\$7.22
BARAGA	8,746	4,372	195,884	200,256	\$22.89
CHIPPEWA	38,543	7,614	360,218	367,832	\$9.54
DELTA	38,520	16,667	31,674	48,341	\$1.25
DICKINSON	27,472	19,670	330,702	350,372	\$12.75
GOGEBIC	17,370	56,339	278,655	334,994	\$19.28
HOUGHTON	36,016	62,547	53,466	116,013	\$3.22
IRON	13,138	2,507	100,174	102,681	\$7.81
KEWEENAW	2,301	10,192	0	10,192	\$4.42
LUCE	7,024	18,182	11,743	29,925	\$4.26
MACKINAC	11,943	3,767	89,345	93,112	\$7.79
MARQUETTE	64,634	304,060	115,019	419,079	\$6.48
MENOMINEE	25,326	1,368	184,140	185,508	\$7.32
ONTONAGON	7,818	4,849	0	4,849	\$0.62
SCHOOLCRAFT	8,903	226,183	30,215	256,398	\$28.79
TOTAL	317,616	754,063	\$1,836,720	\$2,590,783	\$8.15
EXCLUDING DELTA COUNTY	279,096	260,128	\$1,805,046	\$2,542,442	\$9.10

DELTA COUNTY SPENT ONLY 14% OF WHAT THE OTHER UPPER PENINSULA COUNTIES SPENT ON A PER CAPITA BASIS



JENNIFER M. GRANHOLM
GOVERNOR

STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
BUREAU OF JUVENILE JUSTICE



ISMAEL AHMED
DIRECTOR

August 5, 2010

Honorable Robert E. Goebel, Jr.
County Building
310 Ludington Street
Escanaba, MI 49829

Dear Judge Goebel:

Enclosed is the report resulting from the July 12, 2010 on-site fiscal and program review of the Child Care Funds. The level of cooperation provided by your office was extremely helpful and much appreciated.

If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me at (906) 643-6114.

Sincerely,

Denise J. Binger
Program Specialist

Enclosure

cc: Reggie Howell, Court Administrator
Russ Sexton, Director, Delta County DHS
David O. Schultz, Delta County Commissioner
CCF Program/Fiscal File
CCF Specialist File

IN HOME CARE REVIEW REPORT

COUNTY:	Delta
PERIOD OF REVIEW:	October 2009 – January 2010
PROGRAM SERVICE COMPONENTS	APPROVED COMPONENT EXPENDITURE:
Juvenile Diversion, Basic Grant	\$15,000.00
In Home Care Supervisor	\$486,466.00
ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT:	Family Division of Circuit Court
DATE OF REVIEW:	7/12/2010
TEST SAMPLE OF CASES:	15
DATE OF LAST PROGRAM REVIEW:	5/14/2009
DATE OF LAST FISCAL REVIEW:	5/14/2009
REVIEWER :	Denise J. Binger

A. FISCAL REVIEW

GENERAL PROGRAM STANDARDS AND CRITERIA:

The program was reviewed for the following In-Home Care program standards and criteria.

- Expenditures are not for judicial costs.
- Services are intensive, 1 to 20 ratios or less, not less than as an average of one face to face contact per week.
- Staff meets the qualifications established in the Juvenile Court Standards.
- Non-scheduled payments are not for basic family needs otherwise available through public assistance programs.
- Fiscal reviews are completed to verify compliance with Child Care Fund In-Home Care rules and policies. Vouchers are reviewed to verify eligibility of expenses for state reimbursement. They also are reviewed for proper authorization, back-up documentation, and proper submittal on the monthly DHS-207 reports.

A fiscal review of the Delta Basic Grant and Child Care Fund expenditures was completed on July 12, 2010. Four months of vouchers were reviewed – October, November, and December 2009 and January 2010. All Child Care Fund vouchers were reviewed for the time period, resulting in a total of 44 vouchers being reviewed.

Conclusion

1. All vouchers had the two signatures sign off system in place.
2. All vouchers reviewed had appropriate supporting documentation and Difficulty of Care forms.
3. The receipts were properly recorded and submitted to the state on the monthly DHS-207 report.
4. All staff met the qualifications established in the Juvenile Court Standards and Administrative Guidelines.
5. All vouchers were properly classified into the appropriate Child Care Fund account and properly submitted to the state.

Recommendations

None

Requirements

None

A. DELTA BASIC GRANT PROGRAM

COMPONENT SPECIFIC:

The review included assessment of the program as described in the Annual Plan and Budget. The results cover findings for the period of review. The areas of review included the following:

- **YOUTH/FAMILIES SERVED (Number Projected - Number Served).**
- **FOCUS - Prevent placement, early return (Focus stated in the plan, focus reflected in the cases reviewed).**
- **TARGET POPULATION - Youth/Families to be served as stated in Annual Plan and Budget. Population served as indicated by test sample.**
- **AREA(S) OF IMPACT- Area(s) of intended impact as stated in the Annual Plan and Budget as reflected in data summary and impact on county's totals.**
- **FISCAL- Expenditures approved in the Annual Plan and Budget and expenditures made as evidenced by reviewed voucher.**
- **DOCUMENTATION - Files and support forms meet the standards for record keeping as defined by the Child Care Fund.**

Component Specific

A review of the program component occurred on July 12, 2010.

Delta County is approved for one (1) Basic Grant program:

Juvenile Diversion

The Diversion Program has two full time workers who are funded through the In Home Care component of the Child Care Fund. One worker is partially funded through the Basic Grant of \$15,000. The Diversion Program is an alternative to a youth being petitioned into Court for a Formal hearing. Referrals from police agencies make up the majority of the referrals. Referrals are also accepted from various other agencies and parents. Their worker determines if a referral is appropriate and if the family will accept voluntary services. If so, a case is opened and counseling services begin. Referrals may also be made to substance abuse agencies as well as mental health on a case-by-case basis. A condition of acceptance into the program often requires that restitution be made to the victim.

The case numbers of the five (5) files reviewed included:

10-JDU-5003, 09-JDU-4968, 09-JDU-4946, 09-JDU-4962, 10-JDU-5000

Conclusion

1. The youth and families served was one-hundred one and the projected number of youth anticipated to be served was one-hundred forty-five.
2. All of the youth within this test sample met two of the six risk factors.
3. Out of the 5 files reviewed, all of the youth are living with their parents or close relatives.
4. The program serves the youth in the intended area of impact to reduce the number of youth petitioned.
5. The fiscal expenditures approved and the expenditures made were consistent with the Annual Plan and Budget.
6. Documentation in the files was complete and comprehensive. The documentation within each of the program files (petitions, current orders, updated reports, contact sheets, etc.) meets the Basic Grant requirements for record keeping.

Recommendations

None

Requirements

None

B. DELTA COUNTY COURT IN-HOME CARE PROGRAM REVIEW

PROGRAM SPECIFIC:

The review included assessment of the program as described in the Annual Plan and Budget, and the results reflected in the period of review. The areas of review included the following:

- **YOUTH/FAMILIES SERVED (Number Projected - Number Served).**
- **FOCUS - Prevent placement, early return (Focus stated in the plan, focus reflected in the cases reviewed).**
- **TARGET POPULATION - Youth/Families to be served as stated in Annual Plan and Budget. Population served as indicated by test sample.**
- **AREA(S) OF IMPACT- Area(s) of intended impact as stated in the Annual Plan and Budget as reflected in data summary and impact on county's totals.**
- **FISCAL- Expenditures approved in the Annual Plan and Budget and expenditures made as evidenced by reviewed voucher.**
- **DOCUMENTATION - Files and support forms meet the standards for recording keeping as defined by the Child Care Fund.**

A review of the program component occurred on July 12, 2010.

Delta County Court is approved for one (1) IN-HOME CARE program:

In Home Care Supervisor

The intensive program includes four full time probation/division officers, a part time secretary, and a part time administrator. They use the Basic Grant to offset the cost of one of the division workers. Adjudicated delinquent youth who present a high risk of out of home placement are admitted to the program. Components include specialized counseling. The program also may purchase tutoring services. The program uses electronic monitoring and attendants as well.

The case numbers of the ten (10) files reviewed included:

08-DL-0428, 08-DL-0442, 08-DL-0418, 09-DL-0468, 09-DL-0503, 10-DL-0540, 09-DL-0498, 08-DL-0394, 10-JDU-5010, 10-JDU-5000

Conclusions

1. The youth and families served was forty three and the projected number of youth anticipated to be served was forty six.

2. All of the youth within this test sample were at risk of out-of-home placement based on the severity of the complaint or multiple offenses.
3. Out of the 10 files reviewed, eight of the youths were living with their parents or close relative, one of the youth was in the Bay Pines facility and one was at a private detention facility.
4. The program serves the youth in the intended area of impact to reduce the number of State Wards committed.
5. The fiscal expenditures approved and the expenditures made were consistent with the Annual Plan and Budget.
6. Documentation in the files was complete and comprehensive. The documentation within each of the program files (petitions, current orders, updated reports, contact sheets, etc.) meets the In-Home Care requirements for record keeping.

Recommendations

None

Requirements

None

SUMMARY:

Delta County Court is in compliance with Child Care Fund rules and guidelines for this Program and Fiscal review.

Recommendations

None

Requirements

None

Comments

Delta County has maximized the savings potential with the reduction of out of home care cost.



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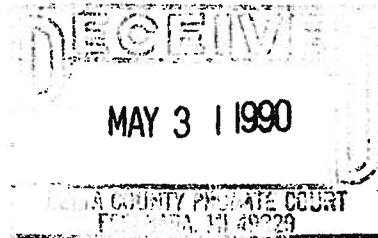
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RESPOND TO:
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REGION IV ADMINISTRATOR
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Dear Judge Goebel:

RE: January and May 1990 MCR 5.707 Reports

This will acknowledge receipt of the above-referenced reports.

Review of the reports appear to reflect the court is complying with the spirit of the court rule. Please thank the Probate Register or other appropriate court personnel for their efforts.

Please permit me to add that you have the lowest number of delinquencies as compared to total caseload of any Probate Court in the State of Michigan. Your efforts to do what Probate Courts are intended to do is absolutely exemplary.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Crandall
Regional Administrator

JCC/hec

cc: Mr. Chuck Taylor, OSM
Ms. Marilyn K. Hall

November 4, 2011

John J. Walsh
House of Representatives
Speaker Pro Tempore, 19th District
State Capitol Building
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Re: Elimination of Judgeship in Delta County

Dear Speaker Walsh:

I am one of five county commissioners in Delta County. I act as a liaison between the board and the three trial judges. One of our concerns deals with the budgeting of money. We want to make sure the money is used wisely and we get the best return on our investment with the courts. I know you have the same concerns.

The three trial courts in Delta County are doing exactly what they were created for. They provide access to justice in a timely fashion. They give the people an opportunity to present their side of the case and each decision is arrived at not only in a timely fashion but is well thought out.

The trial courts are aggressive in collecting fines, costs, restitution and child support.

The family court has substantially reduced the cost of out of home placement for youth which has resulted in a savings of four to five hundred thousand dollars to the state and county. These collections and savings cannot be maintained with only two judges.

Therefore, I am strongly opposed to House Bill No. 5108. It will hurt our children and families while costing the state and county a great deal of money. The savings you may expect will never materialize.

I expect to obtain a county board resolution opposing House Bill No. 5108 in the very near future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "David J. Rivard". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, stylized "D" and "R".

David J. Rivard
Delta County Commissioner

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